

Applicants note that Claims 3-5 and 27 are generic claims. Upon allowance of one or more generic claims, claims to additional species which include all the limitations of an allowed generic claim will be entitled to examination.

CONCLUSION

The invention of Group 8, disclosed in Claims 1-7, 19-23, and 26 drawn to a multifunctional compound comprising an antigen binding region specific for a tumor associated antigen, and in particular, a species having four (4) functional domains and a histidine tag, has been elected for examination in the present application.

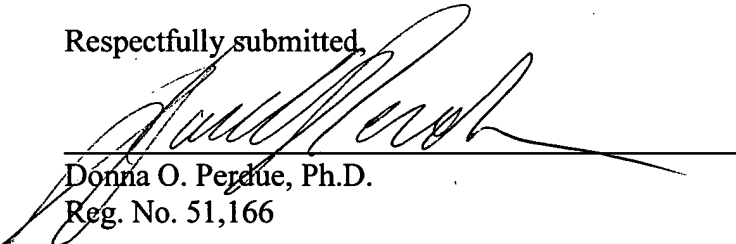
A petition and fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for extension of time to reply is submitted herewith. Please charge any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 50-2212.

If the Examiner has any questions about this communication, she is encouraged to contact the Applicants' attorney at (858) 509-4093.

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